DRAMA

Authority Subject  CODE: DRA

COURSE OVERVIEW
Senior drama is based on a two year uninterrupted course beginning in Year 11. Drama offers a wide range of experiences that allow students the opportunity to develop skills in communication, voice, movement, character interpretation, analysis and performance techniques. A major focus is public performance as students are required to perform live twice per year. Each year level has the opportunity to view live theatre as part of both assessment and to gain an appreciation and understanding of theatre and how it works. Drama is a highly creative subject that focuses on forming drama, performing drama, and analysing drama.

COURSE STRUCTURE
Will include the study of:
- Comedy / Commedia dell Arte
- Australian Drama
- Realism
- Greek and Shakespearean Tragedy
- 20th Century Theatre
- World Theatre
- Auditioning

ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES
Both Years 11 and 12 consist of practical and written assessment items combining the general objectives of ‘Forming’ – making drama, ‘Presenting’ – acting drama and ‘Responding’ – analysing and understanding drama. Students will be required to perform their assessment for the audiences throughout the course.
- Play building
- Script writing
- Individual and group performance
- Theatre analysis

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS
Due to the practical nature of drama, students will be required to attend live professional performances in and out of school (approx 1 per term). Students will therefore be required to meet these additional costs of performances or visiting artists. Total cost will be varied, depending on availability and location of performances. Students may be required to purchase drama blacks, consisting of a black shirt and pants for performances and productions.